

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MADRID 5273

LIMDIS-GREENBACK

USOECD

STATE PLEASE PASS TREASURY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, SP

SUBJECT: FLOATING OF SPANISH PESETA

REF: MADRID 5234

IN A PRIVATE CONVERSATION THIS MORNING WITH FINANCE  
MINISTER FERNANDEZ ORDONEZ REGARDING DEVALUATION, HE  
TOLD ME PESETA IS NOW IN WHAT HE TERMED A "CONTROLLED  
FLOAT," WHICH WILL BE WATCHED CAREFULLY. GOVERNMENT  
MAY ALLOW MARKET FORCES TO DRIVE IT AS LOW AS 90  
PESETAS TO THE DOLLAR. HE DESCRIBED OVERALL  
SITUATION AS SERIOUS AND INDICATED GOVERNMENT  
RECOGNIZED THAT ACTION ON PESETA WOULD BE ONLY  
WORKABLE IN CONJUNCTION WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF OTHER  
PARTS OF ECONOMIC PROGRAM ON WHICH GOVERNMENT IS WORKING  
URGENTLY IN NEGOTIATION WITH OPPOSITION, PRINCIPALLY PSOE.  
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